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## **AMENDMENT**

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Please enter the following Amendment in the above-identified patent application.

## In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 15, and 26 as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A method for improving muscle protein synthesis comprising the steps of administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising: a protein source which provides at least 8% of the total calories of the composition and which includes at least 50% by weight, of the protein source, whey protein, a lipid source having an omega 3 to 6 fatty acid ratio of approximately 5:1 to about 10:1 and which provides at least 18% of the total calories of the composition, a carbohydrate source, and a micronutrient profile comprising at least vitamin E and vitamin C.
- 15. (Amended) A method for preventing muscle loss in an individual at risk of same comprising the steps of administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising: a protein source which provides at least 8% of the total calories of the composition

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